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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT : Draft Minutes of the 30 October Intelligence Board Meeting

1. The attached draft minutes of the 30 October Intelligence Board meeting are submitted herewith for USIB consideration.

USIB Action Requested

2. In view of the cancellation of the regular Board meeting scheduled for 6 November, USIB members are requested to advise the Secretariat by close of business on 6 November of their approval or other views on the attached minutes.

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JAMES S. LAY, JR.
Executive Secretary

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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

Minutes of
Five-hundred-fifty-seventh Meeting
United States Intelligence Board
USIB Conference Room
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1030 hours, 30 October 1969

Director of Central Intelligence
Richard Helms
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. R. J. Smith, acting for Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Mr. George C. Denney, Jr., Acting Director of Intelligence and
Research, Department of State
Lieutenant General Donald V. Bennett, USA, Director, Defense
Intelligence Agency
Vice Admiral Noel Gayler, USN, Director, National Security Agency
Dr. Charles H. Reichardt, acting for Atomic Energy Commission
Representative to USIB
Mr. William C. Sullivan, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Representative to USIB

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1. USIB-S-12./8, 26 August 1969
(Ref: USIB-S-12./7, 19 June
and Memorandum for Holders
thereof dated 3 July; limited
distribution through special
channels)

(A summary of the Board's discussion and action on this subject is contained in a Special Annex to these minutes, limited distribution through special channels.)

2. Appointment of General Philpott
as Deputy Director of DIA Upon
the Retirement of Admiral Lowrance

At this time Mr. Helms extended his congratulations to Major General Jammie M. Philpott upon his forthcoming promotion and appointment as Deputy Director of DIA to succeed Vice Admiral Vernon L. Lowrance.

Speaking for himself and on behalf of the Board Principals the Chairman noted Admiral Lowrance's impending retirement and expressed his thanks and appreciation for the Admiral's yeoman service and helpful work on behalf of the intelligence community over the years. In concluding his remarks Mr. Helms asked General Bennett to convey this message to Admiral Lowrance.

3. Appointment of General Cushman to
Succeed [] as Chairman
of the Watch Committee

Prior to taking up the Watch Report Mr. Helms referred to the forthcoming retirement of [] and informed the Board that he intended to appoint General Cushman as the new Chairman of the Watch Committee effective on 1 December. The Chairman pointed out that both Generals Cabell and Carter had been Chairmen of that Committee while they were Deputy Directors of Central Intelligence and that he wished to go back to this arrangement upon the departure of []. Accordingly, the USIB noted the designation of General Cushman as Chairman of the Watch Committee effective as of 1 December.

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Mr. Helms then commented that [] had labored 25X1A
long and faithfully as Chairman of the Watch Committee and that he
had done a first rate job. He concluded his remarks by observing that 25X1A
there would be appropriate ceremonies before [] retire- 25X1A
ment, but that he wished to take this occasion to thank [] on
behalf of himself and the Board for a job well done.

4. Watch Report No. 1001

Following a brief discussion the subject report was approved
as amended.

5. Communist China's Strategic
Weapons Program
(NIE 13-8/1-69)

In the course of the Board's consideration of the subject,
Dr. Reichardt pointed out that this estimate was the type normally
released to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy and that previous
versions of this paper had been released. In the discussion which
followed the Board agreed that a TOP SECRET version of this
estimate should be prepared and that a TOP SECRET/RESTRICTED
DATA version should be released to the Joint Committee.

The Board then:

- a. Approved NIE 13-8/1-69 as circulated.
- b. Agreed that BNE and the USIB Representatives
should prepare a TOP SECRET version of the subject estimate as
soon as possible and that this version need not be submitted for USIB
consideration.
- c. Noted the statement by the AEC Representative
that the subject estimate is of the type normally released to the
Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, and concurred in the release to
the Joint Committee of a TOP SECRET/RESTRICTED DATA version.

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6. USIB-D-64.6/50, 16 October
Limited distribution through
restricted channels)

(A summary of the Board's discussion and action on this
subject is contained in a Memorandum for Holders of USIB-D-64.6/50,
limited distribution through restricted channels.)

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Adjournment: 1116


JAMES S. LAY, JR.
Executive Secretary

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SECRETARY'S NOTES

1. Watch Report Nos. 998,
999 and 1000

All USIB members telephonically approved subject reports on 9, 16 and 23 October, respectively.

2. Approval of Minutes
2 October Meeting
(USIB-M-556, including
record of action in
USIB-D-2.1/21)

On 10 October all USIB members telephonically approved the minutes and record of action of the 2 October meeting.

3. USIB-S-13.5/58, 8 September;
Memorandum for Holders of
USIB-S-13.5/58, 12 September
(Special limited distribution
through special channels)

(Record of Board action is contained in a Memorandum for Holders, dated 7 October, special limited distribution through special channels.)

4. Proposed DCID on Data
Element and Code
Standardization
(USIB-D-5.1/9, 3 October)

On 14 October 1969 all USIB members telephonically approved subject DCID which is being circulated for information and use of Board members as USIB-D-5.1/10, dated 15 October. This Directive (DCID No. 1/15) will also be printed in the established DCID format and disseminated at an early date to holders of the "Intelligence Directives" Handbook. The Office of the Chairman, Intelligence Information Handling Committee has been notified of the above.

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(Record of Board action on this paper is carried in a Memorandum for Holders of subject document, dated 27 October 1969.)

6. USIB-S-9.7/2, 15 October
(Limited distribution through special channels)

On 29 October 1969 all USIB members approved the proposed response to DDR&E which was dispatched on that date. The Offices of the Director, National Security Agency and Chairman, SIGINT Committee have been notified of the above.

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8. Approval of NIE 36.1-69,
"The Outlook for Nasser
and for Egypt"

All USIB members telephonically concurred, on 28 October, in subject estimate. The Office of National Estimates has proceeded with its publication.

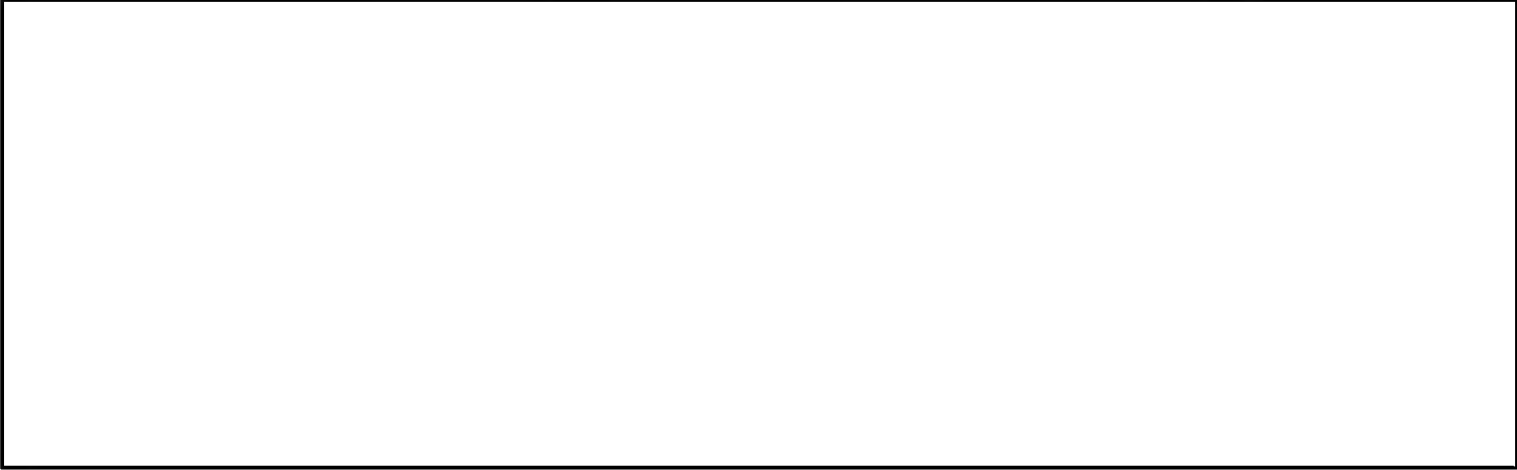
No member raised objection to the release of this estimate to USIA.

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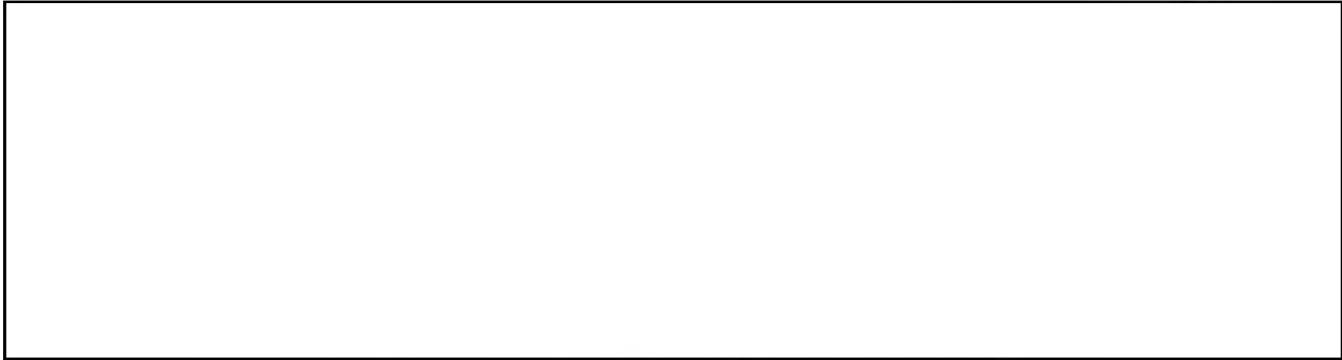
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This completes the release action for NIE 11-3-69.

10. Non-Release of NIE
86.2-69, "Prospects
for the Dominican
Republic"
(USIB-D-17.8/460, 3 October)

No USIB member having requested reconsideration of the Board of National Estimates' recommendation regarding non-release of subject estimate, no further Board action will be taken and NIE 86.2-69 will not be released to any foreign government.

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